



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

October 28, 2014

Mr. Edward Smith
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St. Louis, MO 63139

OFFICE OF
ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

RE: Request Number EPA-R7-2015-000819

Dear Mr. Smith:

This is in response to your request for a waiver of fees in connection with your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 7 seeking a copy of records regarding the West Lake Landfill Superfund site in St. Louis County, as described in your request.

We have reviewed your fee waiver justification and based on the information provided, we are denying your request for a fee waiver. You have not expressed a specific intent to disseminate the information to the general public. Accordingly, there is no need for this office to address the remaining prongs of the fee waiver criteria. If the estimated costs exceed \$25.00, the EPA Region 7 office in Lenexa, Kansas will contact you regarding the cost of processing your request and seek an assurance of payment. They will be unable to process your request until they receive your assurance of payment.

Under the FOIA, you have the right to appeal this fee waiver determination to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW (2822T), Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service Only), E-mail: foia_hq@epa.gov. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20004. Your appeal must be made in writing, and it must be submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit. The appeal letter should include the FOI number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the appeal letter and its envelope should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Should you choose to appeal this determination, please be sure to fully address all factors required by EPA's FOIA Regulations, located at 40 C.F.R. § 2.107(l) in your appeal. If you have any questions concerning this determination please contact me at (202) 566-1667.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Larry F. Gottesman".

Larry F. Gottesman
National FOIA Officer